

**GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH  
ABSTRACT**

Public Services – Irrigation & C.A.D. Department – Allegations of corruption and misuse of departmental funds against Sri P.L.N. Sarma, Assistant Engineer (Retd.), Works Section, K.C.Division, Vijayawada – Departmental action initiated under Rule 20 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (CC & A) Rules, 1991 –Imposing a penalty of 5% cut in pension permanently on Sri P.L.N. Sarma, Assistant Engineer (Retd.) – Orders–Issued.

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**IRRIGATION AND C.A.D (VIGILANCE-I/A2) DEPARTMENT**

**G.O.MS.No. 78.**

**Dated: 17.12.2014.**  
**Read the following:-**

1. G.O.Rt.No.518, Irrigation & CAD (Ser-VI) Department, dated 26.04.2005
2. From Sri P.L.N. Sarma Assistant Engineer (Retd) written statement of defence, dated 10.03.2006
3. G.O.Rt.No.1669, Irrigation & C.A.D. (Ser.VI.2) Department, dated 18.12.2006
4. Govt.Memo No.15437/Ser.VI.2/2005-10, dated 19.01.2007.
5. Enquiry Report of the Commissioner of Inquiries, DO. letter.No.580/COI-CK/06, dated 04.09.2008
6. Govt.Memo.No.15437/Ser.VI.2//2005-13, Irrigation & CAD (Ser.VI) Department, dated 12.11.2008.
7. Representation of Sri S. P.L.N. Sarma, Assistant Engineer, (Retd) dated 20.01.2009.
8. Govt.Memo.No.15437/Ser.VI.2/2005-20, dated 16.09.2010.
9. Representation of Sri P.L.N. Sarma, Assistant Engineer, dated 27.11.2010.
10. From the Secretary (FAC), APPSC, letter.No.1043/RT/1/2014, dated 18.11.2014

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**ORDER:**

In the reference 1<sup>st</sup> read above, departmental action has been initiated against Sri Peyyeti Laxmi Narasimha Sarma, Assistant Engineer, (Accused Officer-2), Works Section, Krishna Canal Division, Vijayawada in accordance with the procedure laid down in Rule 20 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (CC&A) Rules, 1991 by framing articles of charges against him.

2. In the reference 2<sup>nd</sup> read above, Sri P.L.N. Sarma, Assistant Engineer (Retd) has submitted his written statement of defence, denying the charges framed against him, and requested to exonerate him from the charges. The written statement of defence of the charged officer was found not convincing and a detailed inquiry was ordered, by appointing Smt. Chandana Khan, I.A.S., Member, Commissioner of Inquiries, Hyderabad as the Inquiring Authority to inquire into the charges framed against the said Sri P.L.N. Sarma, Assistant Engineer (Retd) in the reference 3<sup>rd</sup> read above. In the reference 4<sup>th</sup> read above, Sri ASR Krishna Rao, Senior Advocate and former Public Prosecutor (CID) was appointed as Presenting Officer to present the case on behalf of the disciplinary authority in support of the articles of charges.

3. In the reference 5<sup>th</sup> read above, Smt. Chandana Khan, Member, Commissioner of Inquiries, Hyderabad & Inquiring Authority has submitted her Inquiry Report stating that the Charged Officer (2) viz. Sri P.L.N. Sarma, AE (Retd) cannot escape part of the responsibility for omissions and commission, whether he indulged in the same by compulsion or with some ulterior motive (ie)., colluding with the Executive Engineer.

4. In the reference 6<sup>th</sup> read above, a copy of the Inquiry Report of the Inquiring Authority was communicated to Sri P.L.N. Sarma Assistant Engineer (Retd), inviting his explanation, if any on the findings of the Inquiring Authority.

5. In the reference 7<sup>th</sup> read above, Sri P.L.N. Sarma, Assistant Engineer (Retd) in his explanation, while denying the findings of the Inquiring Authority, has requested to drop further action duly exonerating him from the allegations.

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6. After careful examination of the explanation of the charged officer, it has been observed that the Charged Officer (2) viz. Sri P.L.N. Sarma, Assistant Engineer (Retd) cannot escape part of the responsibility for omissions and commission, whether he indulged in the same by compulsion or with some ulterior motive (i.e) colluding with the Executive Engineer. Government have decided to accept the findings of the Inquiring Authority and proposed to impose a penalty of 5% cut in pension permanently on Sri P.L.N. Sarma, Assistant Engineer (Retd.). Accordingly, a show cause notice has been issued to Sri P.L.N. Sarma, Assistant Engineer (Retd.) inviting his representation on the proposed penalty of 5% cut in pension permanently on him in the reference 8<sup>th</sup> read above.

7. In the reference 9<sup>th</sup> read above, Sri P.L.N. Sarma, Assistant Engineer (Retd.) has submitted his representation, stating that he has not acted in anyway detrimental to the interests of the Department and always acted in accordance with the stipulated procedure and codal rules. He has, therefore, requested to consider his representation sympathetically in the light of the facts and drop further disciplinary action duly exonerating him from the allegations.

8. After careful examination of the matter, Government have observed that the charged officer Sri P.L.N. Sarma, Assistant Engineer (Retd.) has not brought out anything new in his representation. Therefore, it has been decided to confirm the provisional decision as decided upon earlier i.e. to impose a penalty of 5% cut in pension permanently on Sri P.L.N. Sarma, Assistant Engineer (Retd.), Works Section, K.C.Division, Vijayawada.

9. In the reference 10<sup>th</sup> read above, the Secretary (FAC), A.P. Public Service Commission has agreed with the proposal of the Government to impose the punishment of 5% cut in pension permanently against Sri P.L.N. Sarma, Assistant Engineer (Retd), works Section K.C.Division, Vijayawada.

10. Accordingly, Government hereby order to impose a penalty of 5% cut in pension permanently on Sri P.L.N. Sarma, Assistant Engineer (Retd.), Works Section, K.C.Division, Vijayawada.

11. The Engineer-in-Chief (AW), Irrigation & CAD Department shall take further necessary action in the matter accordingly and acknowledge the receipt of the order.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

**ADITYA NATH DAS**  
**PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT**

To

Sri P.L.N. Sarma, Assistant Engineer (Retd), Works Section, K.C.Division, Vijayawada **through** the ENC (AW), Irrigation & CAD Department, Hyderabad.

The Engineer – in - Chief (AW), Irrigation & CAD Department, Hyderabad (with a request to submit the dated acknowledgement to Government, without delay)

Copy to:

The Accountant General (A&E), Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad.

The Secretary, Vigilance Commissioner, A.P.V.C., Hyderabad.

The Secretary (FAC), A.P. Public Service Commission, Hyderabad.

SF/SC (C.No.15437/Vigilance-I/A2/2005)

**//FORWARDED:: BY ORDER//**

**SECTION OFFICER**